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# NO MEN WILL BE SENT TO CAMP SHERMAN ON THE NEXT DRAFT

### Selectives from Western Pennsylvania Will Go to Camp Lee

### DATE SET FOR 29TH OF MARCH

The next draft will take place on the 29th day of March and men will be called for five successive days, until 59,000 men have been summoned in the United States. Of this number the western part of the state will contribute 5,295 men, all of whom will be sent to Camp Lee, at Petersburg, Va., to fill up the gaps in units at that contonment, to make up for the men who have been sent on overseas duty, or have been discharged.

It is said that no more from Washington and other counties in this immediate section will be sent to Camp Sherman all of them being scheduled to report to the camp in Virginia. Of the total of 95,000 men called for the latter part of this month, 80,000 will be required to make up the totals for the first draft of 687,000 men called last summer, while the remaining 15,000 will be credited on the second draft. When the present call is completed no further call will be made by the Pennsylvania draft boards until Congress has enacted measures which will base the quotas of each district on the number of men in Class 1. The recommendations of Gen. Crowder are now before Congress and it is believed that his suggestions will be adopted.

The number of men to be taken from each district will likely be announced from draft headquarters at Harrisburg some time today, when it will become known just how many men will be required from the fifth district of Washington county, of which Charleroi is a part. As no men are to bes ent to Camp Sherman it is inferred that the complete quota of the county has been filled on the first draft, and will only have to furnish its pro rata share of the 15 000 men on the second draft. Of course this is only surmise but all the facts in the new order will soon become known after which the local boards will begin to summon men, if any are needed from Washington county.

It is proposed by the government to call 800,000 men during 1918, in which case Washington county will be called upon to supply even more men than in the first draft, when more than 1,600 were summoned from the different districts. The call for the additional 95,000 men came sooner than was expected, but as so many of them are wanted to fill up units decimated by constant calls for overseas duty, it is evident that many of the boys have been sent to the other side for active duty.

The next draft is scheduled for the 29th of March a little more than two weeks away. While Pennsylvania is touched lightly in this call, there will be many more of the same kind to follow during the spring and summer.

### ALPHA PHI BETA WILL HOLD EASTER DANCE

The Alpha Phi Beta will hold an Easter dance for the benefit of the Charleroi Chapter of the American Red Cross, Friday evening, April 5, in Might's auditorium. Music will be furnished by Hall's five piece jazz band of Columbus, Ohio. Special cars for Monessen and Belle Vernon will be provided after the dance. It is to be strictly an informal affair.

# ARRESTED AS A DESERTER

### Charleroi Man Wanted By Draft Board at Farmington, Mo.

### POSTED AS WILLFUL DESERTER

Chief of Police Albright on Monday night, arested Wasil Laskowski of 1219 Meadow avenue as a wilful deserter from the National Army, and is now waiting word from the registration board at Farmington, St. Francis county, Mo., as to what disposition shall be made of the man. Laswowski, who is a married man with two children, is now in the borough lockup, where he will be detained until the necessary instructions are received from the local officials in Farmington.

Laskowski registered under the draft regulations in Farmington, Mo., last June, but apparently neglected to answer his questionnaire, or to appear for examination when called. The board finally posted him as a deserter and a few days ago Chief Albright received instructions from the Missouri officials to arrest the men and hold him until further word was received from them.

Laskowski, who had been away from Charleroi for some time, returned home about two months ago and has and has been working in and around the borough ever since. The first intimation that he had been posted as a deserter came, when Chief Albright received the notice from the western officials to arrest him. It is possible that Laskowski failed to ask exemption and the board not being informed of his family connections, placed him in the first class and marked him for immediate service. It is likely that the man will have to be sent to some of the military cantonments, after which it may be possible to secure his release.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Martin Monchecourt a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Steinbaugh are Pittsburg visitors today.

# *List of Legislative Candidates Is Growing*

There promises to be plenty of politics in Washington county this spring. The contest for Assembly is going to be of a very interesting character with a number of candidates making the race. Already four men have announced their willingness to assume the legislative toga, and give of their services to the state. The latest announcement is made by J. N. McDowell, a well known farmer of Buffalo township, who promises to make a vigorous campaign. He says he is in favor of the ratification of the prohibition amendment and all other bills for the public good, and would oppose all those that are not.

As all of the other candidates so far announced have taken the same stand, it is likely to be a question of personality as well as fitness for the position to be filled. The dry federation, which will meet in Washington tomorrow to place its seal of approval on three men for whom it will desire its members to support for nomination, will have a somewhat difficult task in making a selection from the four men already announced. Geographical location will likely enter into the discussion, as all of the men so far announced are from the central and western part of the county. No candidate for Assembly has been presented from the valley, although there is strong talk of some from this immediate section being endorsed for one of the positions to be filled.

# CALLED HOME BY DEATH OF PARENT

Capt. John K. Hein and family were called to Pittsburg last Wednesday by the death of Mrs. Frederick Schell, mother of Mrs. J. K. Hein. The deceased was a member of St. Peter's Lutheran church of the North Side, Pittsburg and funeral services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. T. R. Schmale. Mrs. Schell is survived by five daughters, Mrs. J. K. Hein of Charleroi, Mrs. C. G. Schnapp, Pittsburg, Mrs. Charles Ludwig of Wilkinsburg, Mrs. J. G. Helfrey, North Side Pittsburg and Mrs. Reese Lacock of New York, and two sons, Joseph J. Schell of St. Louis, Mo., and Fred Schell of North Side, Pittsburg; fifteen grand children and 17 great grandchildren. Mrs. Schell was a resident of Pittsburg for 73 years, coming to the city when five years of age. She lived with her parents in the old Block House at the Point, a part of Ft. Pitt which was built by Col. Bonquet in 1773.

# INJURED WHILE WORKING IN CAR

Albert Doughty, an employe of the Adams Express company, while at work in an express car on the team track in the local yard Tuesday evening at 5:30, was severely injured. He was about his work when an engine shoved a heavily laden car against the express car, knocking down a number of boxes, which fell over on Mr. Doughty, injuring him about his chest. He was taken to his home on First street and Dr. Hill called, who said that while his injuries were quite painful the patient would be able to be around in a few days. Mr. Doughty is a member of the Veteran Guards of Charleroi.

# ALLMAN DIES FROM A BULLET WOUND

Seth D. Allman, who shot himself at his home in Bentleyville Monday evening about 5:30 o'clock, died Tuesday afternoon at 3:30. The body was taken to the McDonough mortuary in Beallsville and prepared for burial. He is survived by his wife Mabel Allman, one son Robert, and one daughter Jean, as well as by his mother, Mrs. Sarah Allman, two sisters, Mrs. James Stuart of Speers and Mrs. Charles McCormick of Bentleyville.

Allman was about 28 years of age and was in the draft, although he had not been called. He was engaged principally in teaming and did considerable work for the various gas companies in and about Bentleyville. It is likely that Coroner Heffran will hold an inquest.

# NEW INCOME TAX MAN IN CHARLEROI

M. J. Zahniser, deputy collector of Income Tax, who has been at Donora for several days on business connected with the Internal Revenue department will be in Charleroi for the balance of the week, to answer questions and assist those who have not yet made a return of their income for the past year. Mr. Zahniser will be at the postoffice where he may be found every day from now until Saturday evening, ready to answer any and all questions relating to the department which he represents. Mr. Hughes who was in Charleroi for several days is now at California on the same line of duty.

Miss Crouch has returned to her home in Ford City, after visiting with her sister, Mrs. Lee Showers.

# COAL SITUATION IN PITTSBURG DISTRICT SAID TO BE ACUTE

### NEWSPAPER MEN TO HOLD MEETING

A meeting of the Monongahela Valley Press Association will be held at the Hotel Lawrence, Donora, Saturday evening next. The newspaper men will take dinner at the hotel at 6 o'clock, after which a business meeting will be held, when a number of important questions relating to the affairs of the association will be taken up and discussed.

# WILL BUY TWO NEW BRIDGES

### County Secures Structures at Much Less Cost than New Ones

### WILL REPLACE TWO DESTROYED

County Commissioners John O. Watson and Thomas Hill, and Engineer George Chaney returned home Monday from New York city and Bridgeport, Conn., where they inspected two bridges offered to this county by the Morsehead Construction company of New York. Controller J. Underwood, who was with the party, went on to Washington City.

The Commissioners have decided to accept the offer for the bridges, as they believe it will save the county a great deal of money. The two ridges to be taken are parts of two draw bridges which were replaced by other structures. The bridges will cost the county $3,582 for one and $3.594 for the other, with a rebate of $176 on the total cost of both. They will beshipped at once and installed by the county. The cost of the two is a litle more than one-half what it would have cost to erect two new bridges. The two bridges are considered of bette construction than new bridges would be, the parts being heavier than now used in such constructive work. The new structures will be erected at VanVoorhis on Pigeon creek, and on Pike Run.

### ENGINEMAN RETIRES AFTER LONG SERVICE

Edward Baird, after serving the Pennsylvania Railroad for a period or 34 years and three months, has been placed on the retiring list and will hereafter receive a pension. His home is in West Brownsville, and his years of service were put in on the Monongahela Division.

Co-operation in the administration of food regulations will make a success in any community. Charleroi food dealers seem to be backing the local administrator in a way that will give the best results.

### Car Shortage a Serious Factor in Delivery of Fuel to Factories

### OFFICIALS CONFER ON SHORTAGE

According to statements made by R. M. Gardiner, fuel distributer, a serious condition exists in the Pittsburg district with reference to the coal supply. The cancellation of the priority order, by which manufacturers of war essentials had a preference of coal shipments, has brought about a condition which it is feared will be hard to remedy.

All manufacturers who have heretofore had this priority arrangement will now have to depend on the local market, and if their needs cannot be supplied they will have to run on short time. Mr. Gardiner has gone to Washington to have a consultation with government officials as to the cancellation of the priority order, under which 200 cars per day were shipped to certain industries. It is said the cancellation was made with a view of having the railroads "speed up" on their deliveries.

Mr. Gardiner said the public does not appreciate the seriousness of the situation. There is plenty of coal for everybody, but the means of its transportation is not to be had and it appears to be out of the question to secure it. He says he sees no hope of material improvement in the near future. Every other kind of business is secondary to the business of war. This means so far as the non-essentials to the conduct of the war are concerned, they are not going to get fuel. They must be content to run in a very limited way until the war is over.

There is a serious apprehension over the prospect of a limited car supply for sending coal to the northwest. Of a total of about 30,000,000 tons which will be demanded, the Pittsburg district under ordinary conditions would supply about 10,000,000 tons. The supply of cars is now only about 25 per cent of what it is in normal times, according to a statement made Tuesday by R. E. McCarty, chairman of the operators' committee of the Pittsburg district. This shortage of cars will vitally affect the supply of the smaller mines of which there are quite a number in the vicinity of Charleroi.

### MINISTERS HOLD THEIR REGULAR MEETING

The Ministerial Association met at the Washington Avenue Presbyterian church Tuesday afternoon at 1 30 o'clock, at which time the business of the month was disposed, after which Rev. C. A. Hartung read a paper entitled, "The Challenge of the Present World Crisis."

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### SO FAR AN YET SO NEAR

"It is only a narrow stream. Stones can be thrown across the river Yser at almost any point. Yet the warring hosts crowding either bank are as far apart as the poles.

Between American and her Associates the ocean intervenes—an ocean so wide that even the sea gulls fear to cross. For seven days and seven nights ships plough through the waters of the Atlantic carrying men and supplies to the soldiers and civilian armies over there. And yet across this stretch of sea, hands reach out and clasp, hearts touch, and space is eliminated."

Such is the nearness we feel to those who iare fighting for us and with us. And though America cannot yet be in the vanguard as regards fighting, she can even now be in the front line as regards feeding.

In the early wars armies had to be fed entirely from those supplies in their imemdiate neighborhood. Nowadays, however, the armies fighting al along that line in France and Flanders can be fed from far off America.

America's surplus of wheat from this year's harvest had all been sent by December. An urgent appeal has again come for 70,000,000 to 90,000,000 more bushels. This must be saved from our normal consumption. It has been estimated that already we have saved of this amount about 25,000,000 bushels. If we can save one-third of our usual consumption, we can answer their pleas for help.

The fats so necessary for human strength and for the further production of ammunition, are being guarded more and more carefully. We should not use more than 3-4 of a pound per person per week and only 6 ounces for children under ten.

Even milk can be furnished from this distance and so we are being asked not to waste a drop. Children must have their full quoto but none must be wasted.

This long distance feeding means ships for sending the food and it means the saving of food to send. The former we are building and equipping as fast as possible. The latter we are accomplishing by eating of other things ourselves and sending the best suited for shipping and best wheat, meat, fats and sugar that are fitted to give the most body fuel. Surely this is but a small sacrifice for us to make for those soldiers and civilians who, though remote from us in miles are so close to us in spirit.

### MY BOY IS "OVER THERE"

My boy is "over there."

Maybe your boy is at the front, or well on his way to the battle lines. If he is abroad, in camp or in the draft list, it is not necessary to tell you that he cannot be supported in his work without guns, ammunition, food —and other boys. Those of us who have a direct, personal interest in this war through the activity of our sons and brothers do not have to be asked the second time to buy Liberty Bonds. We dig down deep into our pockets and buy all we can.

Why should we fathers and brothers alone furnish the boys and the money to insure the success of this war?

You know boys who are now in Uncle Sam's service! They have been your neighbors, your employes, your acquaintnces. You surely feel that they should have all the backing they can get. You want them to be the best fighters in the world. You want them to get through with this job in a hurry. You want them to come back home. You want peace—and if you're the kind of a man the boys think you are you would put up every last cent you have to guarantee a speedy and lasting peace!

It's odd, isn't it, that it is an easy matter for Uncle Sam to get all the boys he wants to fight for your rights and mine, but that it is hard to get money to back up these fighters.

But we'll show the Kaiser now that our money, as well as our boys, is at the command of the Government. We'll over-subscribe this third Liberty Loan and we'll prove to the central powers that this world will get along without a Hohenzollern dog collar.

Of course we will. We're going to prove to my boy; to your boy and to the million other boys that we shall back them to the finish with our dollars.

### AT THE FRONT

Secretary of War Baker has gone to France to make an inspection of the American army now in that country and to look over the battle line, presumably as well as attend to other matters which will come to his attention in an official way. The departure of the Secretary from this country was not made public until he landed on the other side this being in accordance with the well known policy of the government to keep all possible information from the public.

While Secretary Baker has come for a great deal of criticism on his conduct of the war, much of which is merited, let us all hope that he will get a new vision while on the western front and that he will come home imbued with a greater desire to push the war preparations of the United States to the limit. Instead of assuming a pacific attitude, and intimating that at the close of the war the United States would throw off its armor and again renew the paths of peace without any thought of a future war, the Secretary might imbibe some of the warlike spirit of the men who are now in the trenches and who are ready to "go over the top" whenever their officers give the command. If it was left to a vote of the men now in service we have no doubt their voice would be for even greater preparations for war. If that is possible and that the war propaganda be pushed to the utmost. The United States along with its other allies can bring peace to the world by administering a sound thrashing to the Germans, something that will usher in peace quicker than anything else. If the Secretary of War can be brought to the realization of the absolute necessity of the greater preparation possible for war, that all war activities be pushed to the utmost, his trip to France will not have been in vain.

### PUNISH THE SPIES.

Demand is made from many quarters that the spies who have been arrested in this country, as well as those who will be taken into custody, be punished in a manner to make them feel the rigors of war, and not as guests of the government.

The spy only has one object in view to give aid and comfort to the enemy, although the information he or she may be able to secure might result in the destruction of some munition plant or some vessel or even the death of thousands of soldiers. In times of war, a spy from one army entering the ranks or territory or another, if apprehended is given short shift. As speedily as the preliminaries can be arranged he is stood up before a firing squad and his earthly existence is brought to a close. Why, then, should those in civilian life, caught with valuable papers and other material on their persons, be taken to the hotels or to splendid places of internment, to live off the bounty of the government they did their best to betray?

The American people are making many sacrifices; they have given up much in the past, and they will be called upon to make even greater sacrifices in the future, all of which they are ready to do, but they are unwilling to condone the offenses of those in this country who would betray the secrets of our government that our enemies might benefit thereby. It is time for a complete change in our manner of treating these people, many of whom are already in custody. If the firing squad is not to be used, the walls of some penitentiary should be the limitations of their activities, and prison fare should be their diet. Make these people understand that a spy is a spy more dangerous as a civilian than as a soldier and treat them accordingly.

### THE METTLE OF DEMOCRACY

News from the western front and particularly those parts of the lines held by American troops, tell of a daring raide made by United States soldiers in conjunction with some of the French on the front-line German trenches. The reports say that the Americans penetrated the German lines for a distance of 600 yards and wanted to go even further, but the French prudently advised that having gained the objective, it would be inadvisable to go beyond that point. In this possibly the French were right, but when the Americans begin to raid in earnest, on their own responsibility, there is going to be "something doing" out of the ordinary. It will keep the boches on the jump and they will wish for service on any other sector than that which faces the Yankee boys.

It may be several months before the full force of the power of the United States can be made effective along this great battle front, but once it gets going there is apt to be many changes in the batle line. The American is accused of being impetuous, but the impetuosity which will characterize his conduct while facing the Germans will be tempered with prudence at the same time sprinkled with sufficient "pep" to make him an irresistable force when he starts. The boys from the U. S. A. have been under fire sufficiently to test their mettle—they have shown they possess the "goods" and all they ask now is the opportune moment to deliver them.

### WORK FOR THE IDLERS

This country is going to be a poor place for the loafers. Already their doom appears to be "writ" large and in characters which admit of no misinterpretation. The present war has brought the United States to a realization that the effective use of its man power is absolutely esential to a successful prosecution of the war; that an idler, rich or poor, is a liability, not an asset, hence the laws which several states have passed, whereby men between certain ages, be they rich or poor, must be engaged in some useful occupation. New Jersey is the latest state to place such a law on its statute books, and now those gentry who have managed heretofore to get along without apparent effort on their part, will be compelled to go to work.

Every community appears to be infected with the idler. In some places he may be more numerous than others but wherever he is, he seems to be able to get his three "squares" per day and wear good clothes; he toils not, neither does he spin. He is simply an excesscence which is no benefit to the body politic.

Now his day is coming to a close. He must work or move, but the places to which he can move will be growing beautifully less from time to time, as other states take up the question, for no community is so rich that it can afford to have idle labor on its hands. Those who will not work voluntarily must be made to labor even if compulsion has to be used.

### WAR'S CENTER

In spite of the demoralized condition of Russia, and the apparent inability of the people of that unhappy country to stay the advance of the German armies, the decision of the war is going to come on the western battle front. This is the consensus of opinion of men skilled in military knowledge and tactics, who have studied well the present situation and who are strongly of the opinion that unless the Germans can obtain a decision over the allies along the battle line from the North Sea to Switzerland the cause of the Kaiser is doomed.

It is here that Germany is meeting the "real thing" in warfare. On the eastern front, with Russia in such a demoralized condition, Germany has to deal with only the smaller nations, whom it is comparatively easy to domineer and dominate but on the western front it has more than met a match for the finest troops the Central empires may have. This fact will be amply demonstrated at the proper time. Of course conditions are not at all satisfactory with respect to Russia, as so many complications are likely to cause, but even in our darkest hour we can see the silver lining to the cloud which will ultimately illuminate the entire sky. While the allies may be far from victory and while the war maw last for two or three years yet, Germany is even farther away than we are from a result that will be satisfactory to her. While that nation will undoubtedly hold out to the last, we believe that ultimately the decision will rest with those who are upholding the banners of Democracy and that decision will be of the most decisive character.

### THE INCOME TAX.

Property Purchased. Sold. Inherited. Etc.

How you determine what amount of gain or profit, derived from a sale of property is returnable for income-tax purposes—

If you acquired the property sold prior to March 1, 1913, you should take its fair market price or value as of that date, add thereto all amounts subsequently expended in making permanent improvements then deduct the aggregate of all claims for depreciation in value of property claimed as deductions on previous returns and the difference between the result thus obtained and the selling price is the amount to be reported under "Gross income."

If you purchased the property on or after March 1, 1913, the difference between its cost, plus all amounts subsequently expended for permanent improvements, less depreciation previously claimed and its selling price, is to be returned.

If the property came to you on or after March 1, 1913 as an inheritance the difference between the appraised value placed upon it at that time, plus all amounts subsequentiy expended for permament improvement, less depreciation previously claimed and its selling price is to be returned.

From press reports sent out from time to time, it is evident that quite a few of the boys are contiuing to get over the pond on their way to the western battle front. So far we have been very fortunate but it is simply a question of "eternal vigilance," which is not only the price of liberty, but life as well.

Spring is surely on the way. Not only have we the spring poets and the birds, but likewise the early candidates are with us. And the season has only begun.

## *Axioms of Democracy*

By Dr. Frank Crane

These are axioms of democracy, think on these things.

The whole people is wiser than any group of men in it. Its judgment is sounder, surer. As Lincion put it, "You can fool all the people some of the time, and some of the people all of the time, but you can't fool all of the people all of the time."

Democracy is not a scheme of voting, a plan for securing rulers; it is a spirit.

Remember what Mazzini said, that some day a man would arise to whom democracy would be a religion. He would be the Great Man. (I quote from memory, and may be inexact.)

Democracy is run for the benefit of the people in it; autocracy for the benefit of the people upon it.

Autocracy is most concerned about efficiency; democracy about welfare. Autocracy is eager to build the house; democracy that the builders be happy.

Autocracy is a subtle passion; democracy a red passion.

Autocracy thinks of the State; democracy of the people that compose the State.

Autocracy is abstract; democracy concrete. The former exalts impersonal aims; the latter aims constantly at men.

Autocracy produces order; democracy initiative. Democracy invents; autocracy applies.

Autocracy's efficiency is quick, specious and temporary; democracy's efficiency is cumulative; every success means another.

Democracy is natural; autocracy is artificial.

Democracy is its own remedy. The cure for the ills of democracy is more democracy. It carries within itself its own recuperation. Autocracy prepares its own ruin.

Democracy has in it the seed of evolution; autocracy has in it seed of revolution.

The strength of democracy is education; the strength of autocracy is obedience.

The God of democracy is the same God the individual has; the God of autocracy has a different moral code from that of the individual. The Kaiser's god for instance approved of the ruin of Belgium and the sinking of the Lusitania.

The method of democracy is light; of autocracy darkness. Democracy wanted the free press; autocracy the censor.

It is complained of democracy that it debates too much, but only by free debates can the right be winnowed out.

Democracy "washes its dirty linen in public." True, but it gets it clean.

Democracy is dangerous. And there is no progress without danger.

Democracy is called vulgar, coarse, cheap. The real truth is that autocracy is more so, only its defects are concealed and fester, while democracy's are open and are healed.

Democracy is capable of a more perfect organization and unity than autocracy.

Autocracy is built upon caste; democracy upon humanity.

"The parliament of Man, the Federation of the World" is only possible in a world of democratic nations. So long as there are kings, emperors and dynasties there can be no world unity.

Militarism is a function of autocracy; democracy functions in law.

Art, science and literature will do better under democracy than under any protection and patronage they may get from autocracy, just as plants and people grow better in the air and sunshine than in a closed room.

## UNITED STATES TO RAISE FARM ARMY

A new army of at least 250,000 is to be raised to man the "third line" of defense of the United States. Boys between 16 and 31 years of age are eligible. They will see active service this spring and summer on American farms. The United States employment Service announced on on Monday a campaign to begin March 15, to raise a "farm army." The drive for recruits will be conducted similarly to that recently made for shipyard volunteers. The members will belong to the boys working reserve. The campaign will be conducted through state directors.

### ENTERTAINMENT FOR YOUNG LADIES CIRCLE

The Young Ladies Circle of the First Presbyterian church was entertained Tuesday evening at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Hunter, with Misses Lottie and Matilda Kline as hostesses. A short program was rendered, in which Miss Elizabeth Steinbaugh rendered a vocal solo, Miss Leila Orange read a paper on Japan and Miss Mabel Orange contributed a piano solo. A business meeting followed at which time officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

President—Matilda Kline.
Vice President—Mabel Strausser.
Secretary—Elizabeth Steinbaugh.
Treasurer—Kate Gamble.

Luncheon was served in the dining room, covers being laid for eighteen. The color scheme was green and white. The next meting will be held at the home of Edith Hopkins, Meadow avenue, March 26th.

### TO REPAVE FLOOR OF MONONGAHELA BRIDGE

The county commissioners on Tuesday afternoon authorized the advertising of bids for the paving of the bridge over the river at Monongahela. This work will be done jointly by Washington and Allegheny counties. The bids are to be in by April 9th.

## PERSONALS

Mrs. A. S. Sickman was a Pittsburg visitor Wednesday.

Oates Shoppe announces Spring opening, Saturday, March 16. New and smartly trimmed hats. 228-t3

Freeman Crispen, a railroad carpenter, while in Unontown last Friday, in atendance at court, was taken suddenly ill and was removed to the Uniontown hospital. Later he was brought to his home in Charleroi.

#### Airplane Developed by War.

When the war began the highest type of airplane could not be depended upon to do much more than 50 miles an hour. Today the speedier war planes make 120 miles an hour in long flights. Where the best machines formerly carried two men, or their equivalent in weight, the larger machines of the present will safely carry a ton or more of cargo.

#### Carillon.

This is the name given to a set of bells arranged in such a way as to be capable of giving forth a regular tune or melody. A much greater number of bells is required for a Carillon than is hung for a general peal of bells. A large peal of bells consists of 10 or 12, while a Carillon may consist of as many as 30 or 40.

#### Lucid Explanation.

Jane, being under the doctor's care, was telling John what good pills Doctor K. gave. John said: "Doctor K. was to see me, but just gave me cluform." No answer from Jane, so John said: "Janie, do you know what cluform is?" Jane said: "No," and John said: "Oh, just something so you won't get your feelings hurted."

#### His Sphere of Travel Limited.

Roy's mother is teaching him to stay in front of his own doorstep, and it is evident, from the following incident, that she has succeeded. Roy has a policeman's suit, and one day while parading in front of his home, clad in this uniform, a woman came along, to whom he said: "Miss Lady, if you see any naughty children, send them down here. I dasn't go so far."

#### Cremona Violins.

Small splinters of the wood of old Cremona violins, when vibrated with a bow, have been found to give invariably the same note, and that note is always a tone higher when the wood is taken from the belly of the instrument than when it comes from the back.

#### Moon Superstition.

Among the Hindus and Egyptians the mouse was carried to the moon. De Gubernatis says: "The pagan sungod crushes under his foot the mouse of the night. When the cat's away the mice will play. The shadows of night dance when the moon is absent."


## TO ALL WOMEN WHO ARE ILL

**This Woman Recommends Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound—Her Personal Experience.**

McLean, Neb.—"I want to recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to all women who suffer from any functional disturbance, as it has done me more good than all the doctor's medicine. Since taking it I have a fine healthy baby girl and have gained in health and strength. My husband and I both praise your medicine to all suffering women."—Mrs. JOHN KOPPELMANN, R. No. 1, McLean, Nebraska.

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## SEVERE PHYSICAL TEST FOR OFFICERS

On the 15th of this month the officers of the Twenty-eighth Division at Camp Hancock, composed almost exclusively of Pennsylvania troops, will have completed a series of athletic tests which will determine whether they will be retained in the service or discharged because of unfit physical condition.

These tests ere arranged some time ago and the officers given two weeks in which to complete them. The tests included a mile run, to be made in seven minutes, a 10 yard dash in 14 seconds, to put a 12-pound shot 30 feet, or throw a hand grenade 35 yards. However, as all of the officers have been practicing in the open for the past eight months, and have become inured to hardships it is believed that only a few will fail in this test. They had to make a certain percentage of all the tests and if they fell below the required figure it meant their discharge.

All of the units in the Division are now in splendid shape and it need not be surprising if a number of the line regiments will be selected quite soon for service overseas. The men have been in training at Camp Hancock for a period of over six months, and are looked upon as being ready for the strenuous duty required on the western front.


Mrs. Kate Hall says: "I have kept house 15 years, am the mother of four children and I would not keep house without Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea." Wise Woman, why? It gives away sickness, brings health and happiness to the whole family. Hennings Drug Store.

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## NORTH CHARLEROI

Mrs. H. C. Howarth of Bruceton is the guest of her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Hall.

Isreal Davis of Fairchance was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Franks.

Mr. and Mrs. Seth Bane and daughter Mildred spent Sunday with the former's parents Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Bane of Fredericktown.

Clarence Rumble has returned to his home in Greensboro after spending a few days with his sisters, Mrs. Harry Vaugn and Mrs. William Sharpnack.

Mrs. Hannah McCreary and son, William Foulks were business callers in Greensburg recently.

Miss Elizabeth Hall spent the week-end visiting her sister in Bruceton.

Dr. and Mrs. O. J. Kregor and children of Monessen and Dr. and Mrs. George T. Crosbie and son were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Myers.

Alfred Pepple who has been ill is somewhat improved.

Mr. and Mrs. George Howe moved to Fayette City on Monday.


Don't wait until your blood is impoverished and you are sick and ailing; take Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea now; it will drive out the germs of Winter, purify the stomach, regulate the bowels—nature's spring tonic-cleanser. Hennings Drug Store.


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(Ki-ro-prak-tik)

It Is Not Medicine; Not Surgery; Not Osteopathy.

It is scientific method of adjusting the cause of disease without drugs or instruments, based on a correct knowledge of anatomy and especially the nervous system. The Chiropractic idea is that the cause of disease is in the person afflicted and the adjustment in correcting the wrong that is producing it. The function of every organ in the body is controlled by mental impulses from the brain, which it transmits thru the nerves. Any impingement of these nerves interfering with the transmission of mental impulses results in an abnormal function called disease. This interference is produced by subluxated vertebrae pressing upon nerves as they pass out from the spinal cord. The trained Adjuster is able to locate the point of obstruction or interference, and by means of adjusting the subluxated vertebrae corrects the cause and normal conditions or health is the result.

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## MOTOR TRAIN HAS A STRENUOUS TIME

The fleet of heavy motor trucks in charge of a Motor Truck company of which Wm. Spridik of Charleroi is a member had a very strenuous time at East Palestine the latter part of last week.

The train encountered bad roads, and the forty big motors were stuck in the mud. The men of the train worked hard in an attempt to release their trucks but without success and it was necessary to send a number of teams to that place in order to pull the motors from the bed of mud into which they had plunged. The trucks were pulled into East Palestine, where they were temporarily parked. Then arrangements were made by which the Pennsylvania Railroad company sent out forty flat cars and a wrecker, with which the trucks were loaded. The train arrived in Beaver Falls Monday morning when the trucks were unloaded, and they continued on their way east. There were 100 men in the party in charge of the trucks, all of whom were entertained by the people of East Palestine while they were working in and around the trucks attempting to get them out of the mud.

## A "HOSTESS HOUSE" FOR CAMP SHERMAN

Mrs. Edwin Linton, chairman of the Washington County women's committee of the Council of National Defense and Mrs. Charles L. Crawford a member of the committee, left Washington on Monday for Camp Sherman to confer with division headquarters officials regarding a Western Pennsylvania Women's Lodge for entertaining women relatives and friends of the selective visiting camp.

Capt. McLaughlin, aidecamp to Maj. Gen. Glenn, division commander wrote to Mrs. Linton urging her to go to Camp Sherman He pointed out the work accomplished by the Ohio women who have built a "hostess house" at Camp Sherman and emphasized the need for a house in which to entertain the women from Western Pennsylvania.

## WILL BUILD NO ROADS THIS YEAR

A committee of citizens from West Bethlehem township called on the county commissioners on Tuesday in the interests of the construction of the road from the end of the Bellsville-Martindale road to Marianna. This road is over a mile in length, and would make a continuous improved road from Beallsville to Marianna. The roads from Beallsville to Bentleyville and then to Charleroi are already improved. However, owing to present conditions, due to the war, the commissioners were unable to make any definite promise. They informed the delegation that it would be impossible to construct any new roads in the county under the tax levy for this year, which they have held down to the same millage as last year. The present millage will just give the commissioners just enough money to take care of the roads already improved, which will probably be their policy for this year.

## MEMBERS OF QUEEN ESTHER CIRCLE WERE ENTERTAINED

The Queen Esther Circle of the Methodist Episcopal church was entertained by the Misses Clara and Nell Pearson at their home on Crest avenue, Tuesday evening. The program based on the fourth chapter of the study book, Missionary Milestones, was ably presented by Mrs. Earl Nicholson. The theme was the organization and founders of the different branches of the church in America. A special feature was the singing of hymns used by the different denominations. Miss Elizabeth Frew sang beautifully the solo, "Not Understood." During the social hour the hostesses served a dainty lunch and Red Cross knitting was a special diversion. The April meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Byerly.

The government's proposal to organize the third line of defense with a farm army is a good move. It is essential that our farms be taken care of just the same as other lines of defense and young men summoned for this duty will be doing a patriotic act when they enlist with the grange.

## BRINGS HOME GRIM REALITY

**Soldiers Seldom Visualize Death Until They Have Had Their Training With the Bayonet.**

Comparatively few of the men in the training camps have sensed the seriousness of their job from books, writes Joseph H. Odell, in the Outlook. Nor did it come to many of them from the formal drills, the setting-up exercises, or the acquisition of military terms and habits. The reality—the grim but thrilling reality—of their business came from the bayonet.

Men can stand at attention without paying attention; they can form columns of fours automatically; they can salute as a matter of easily acquired habit; they can learn the bugle calls by subconscious absorption; but no man can wield the bayonet without visualizing death. The first and chief duty of the bayonet instructor is to make men visualize death—their own or their foe's. "You must get him before he gets you; it's him or you, here or you, him or you!"

Then the ghastly seriousness of the business comes over the recruit; the dreadful alternative flashes along every nerve, and commands the muscles of the eyes, the legs, and the arms as they have never been commanded before. It searches his soul and marks him as a coward or a man; it puts deep lines on his face and galvanizes his will; it changes him almost instantaneously from a civilian to a soldier.

## AFLAME WITH VIVID COLOR

**Section of Northern Montana Brilliant Scene During the Short Months of Summer.**

The Blackfeet, or Piegans, as they call themselves, number approximately 2,700. The setting for this picturesque tribe is a wonderful country, without a glimpse of which no picture of the Blackfeet would be complete. Elsie E. Newton writes in the Southern Workman. The reservation is in northern Montana; in area it is about two-thirds the size of Connecticut. It lies up next to Canada on the north and Glacier park on the west. The park was once a part of it, and retains many Indian names, such as Going-to-the-Sun mountain, Rising-Wolf mountain, Two Medicine lake and river, and others.

From the splendid white-topped range on the west the country drops to rolling prairie eastward. It is a region of bitter winds and storms for several months in the year. Closer to the mountains, there is not a month when frost is unexpected, and snow falls as late as June. But as soon as the last flake has disappeared the hillsides flame almost overnight with wild flowers. The splendor of them continues throughout the short summer, one brilliant shade succeeding another. Half acres in purple, spots of blue, streaks of yellow—one sees this sort of color effect week after week.

### Editor in Retirement.

A Georgian editor, who retired some years ago, has recently been reviewing that part of his career which has been free from the labors of the newspaper office.

He finds, in contrasting it with a period of similar length prior to his abandonment of the lead pencil and the shears, that the change has been great, indeed. Residing in his own comfortable, if humble, home, nothing has been asked of him while taking his well-earned rest except to chop and bring in all the firewood, supply the house with water from the spring, start the kitchen fire every morning, feed the hogs, the chickens, and the cow; milk and churn plant and weed the garden, and attend to miscellaneous chores.

It is worth while, he evidently thinks, to work hard as an editor for a few years in order to enjoy the luxury of retirement later on.—Christian Science Monitor.

### Warm Air for Flyers.

To protect military airmen from the intense cold of the upper atmosphere and also avoid the burden of cumbersome, heavy garments, an airheated one-piece costume has been designed, says the Popular Mechanics Magazine. The suit is made of two layers of material and supplied with a system of air conduits extending to its various extremities. Air, taken in through a tunnel mounted behind the propeller and warmed by passage through a coil encircling the motor's exhaust pipe, is carried into the main artery of the suit by a flexible tubing connected at the rear. The heat circulates into the gloves and shoes worn by the airman and rises around his body, while cool air passes out through valves.

### Porkers Cut Down Dairy Output.

Ernest E. Gourley, a dairyman of Portland, Ore., became discouraged because his cows gave such a small quantity of milk. Then he became suspicious and established a close watch over his bovines. He also owned several pigs which were becoming fat very rapidly. Presto! The pigs were helping themselves to the milk. Now the pigs are separated from the cows and the dairy business has picked up.

### His Trouble.

"You are looking miserable, Subbubs. Why don't you ask a doctor what ails you?"

"I know what ails me—quick consumption."

"You don't mean it!"

"I do. I have to bolt my breakfast in two gulps to catch the train, and eat lunch in two more to get back to the office." Boston Transcript.

## Classified

FOR SALE—Smallfruit and chicken farm one mile from Monongahela on Washington Pike, containing 5 1-4 acres, 6 room house, spring well and cistern, barn and large chicken house 72 feet long. Fruit of all kinds, red and black raspberries, black berries, currents and goose berries, apples, peaches, pears, plums, cherries and grapes. Bell telephone 15-W Monongahela. 182-tf

FOR SALE—A bed davenport and two leather chairs. Inquire 102 Mail office. 196-tfp.

FOR SALE—$3,000—7 room Bungalow, bath room, hot air furnace, 405 Shady avenue.

$2,400—6 room house Meadow ave.
$1,700—4 room house Shady ave.
$1,700—2 business lots McLean
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$700—Vacant lot, Shady avenue.
No information over 'Phone.

Inquire E. J. Charles, Charleroi Savings and Trust company. 225-tf

FOR SALE—Piano, white Hoosier cabinet and refrigerator. Inquire 128 Mail office. 227-t3

FOR SALE—White iron bed, high chair and go-cart. Mrs. Charles Ponder, 136 Fallowfield avenue. 227-t3

FOR RENT—With board, room for gentleman of refinement. Call 130 Mail office. 227-t2

FOR RENT— Furnished room for one or two people. Inquire 311 Sixth street. 226-tf

FOR RENT—Furnished room. Inquire at 414 Fallowfield Ave. 228-t3

WANTED—Three rooms furnished or unfurnished, for light housekeeping. Address David Beam, 331 Washington avenue. 225t5-p

WANTED—Firemen. Steady work. Apply Tri-Cities Water Company. 225-t4

WANTED— Two furnished rooms with use of kitchen. Address Wild, care Stevensons Bakery. t6p

WANTED—Girl for general housework. Apply 318 Washington avenue. 227-t3

WANTED—Two women to work in bread shop. Good wages. Apply Stevenson's Bakery. 227-t3

WANTED—Washings to take home Sarah Huber, 206 Prospect avenue. 226-t2p

WANTED—Girl for general house work or to work by the day. Apply 419 McKean avenue. 228-tfp

WANTED—Girl for cashier work. Write J. M. G. Mail office. 228-t3p

LOST—On 7:30 Monessen car to Belle Vernon, a black purse. Finder please return to Miss Mary Karoly, at the Friday Evening Call, Monessen. 226-t3.

## DATE FOR MUSICAL HAS BEEN CHANGED

Owing to strong counter attractions the date of the concert to be given by the musical organizations of the Charleroi high school, originally announced for Friday evening, March 22, has been changed to Thursday evening, March 21. A splendid program has been arranged by Prof Daniel, and the concert will be fully up to the standard set by the musical organizations in previous concerts. The patronage of the general public is earnestly requested on this occasion. Tickets may be procured of the high school pupils, or of Prof. Daniel. There will be no reserved seats. First come, first served.

## ENTERTAINS FOR SON WHO ENTERS ARMY

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Peters entertained at their home on First street Tuesday evening in honor of their son, Wesley, who expects to leave soon for Kelley Field, Texas, having enlisted as a mechanic in the aviation corps. The guests were entertained with dancing and music after which a dainty lunch was served by Mrs. Peters.

### Dance Friday Evening

The Washington Camp No. 768 Patriotic Order Sons of America will hold a Patriotic Dance which will be the second of a Series to be held Friday Evening, March 15th in the Armory Hall, Second street, Monongahela, Pa. The Famous Mendelsohn Orchestra of Clairton will furnish the latest and popular dance music. Admission per couple 75 cents Extra lady 25 cents. 227-t4

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Every Friday also at the Grand Hotel, Monessen.

## MAKES RAPID HEADWAY

Kidney disease often advances so rapidly that many a person is firmly in its grasp before aware of its progress. Prompt attention should be given the slightest symptom of kidney disorder. If there is a dull pain in the back, headaches, dizzy spells or a tired, worn-out feeling, or if the kidney secretions are offensive, irregular and attended with pain, procure a good kidney remedy at once.

Thousands recommended Doan's Kidney Pills. Read the statement below.

W. A. Bechtel, pattern maker, 120 Thompson Avenue, Donora, Pa., says: "I suffered from dull pains across my back at different times, for years. Whenever I stooped over or tried to straighten a kink caught me in the small of my back. The secretions from my kidneys were too freuent in passage and disturbed my rest at night. I often had to get up two or three times. Doan's Kidney Pills brought me relief."

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You see, there is no guess work about Vinol. Its formula proves there is nothing like it for all weak, run-down, overworked, nervous men and women and for feeble old people and delicate children. Try it once and be convinced.

Piper's Drug Store, Charleroi and at the best drug store in every town and city in the country.


## NOT THEIR FIRST MEETING

**British Officer and Privates, Home From the Front, Had Same Memories of "Tight Corner."**

Two privates in "Blighty" blue were limping their way along Regent street, London. Each had his badges of honor—two and three eloquent gold stripes. They were in London town again—in it, but somehow lost of it. Only the accident of war made them gold street sufferers.

From the opposite direction there approached a young officer with a lady companion. He, too, had the gold stripes of the twice wounded. Younger and bright, he seemed absorbed in his companion, apparently not noticing the two privates. Indeed, he was almost by them when in a flash he darted from the side of his companion, seized the hand of one of the privates in a hearty grip and ejaculated:

"Great heavens! fancy meeting you here! But different when we were together before, eh? What a tight corner! And only we two left—and here we are again. And how are you, and how are you getting on?"

Succeeded a string of other questions, culminating in "Getting better, eh? Feel as if you'll soon be ready to go out again? How do you feel about it? Will you be glad to go?"

What the private said may be inferred from the resumption of the officer's talk.

"That's the right spirit. Shouldn't wonder if we meet again in another hot corner. Well, good luck and cheero!"

## HAD CONFIDENCE IN EDISON

**Negro Was Sure That Wonderful Bullet He Invented Would Never Kill American Soldiers.**

Two negroes were walking along a New York street discussing the wonderful inventions brought about by the war.

"Yes, sah," one said, "an' a friend of mine who knows all about it says dis heah man Edison has done gone and invented a magnetized bullet dat can't miss a German. Kase ef dere's one in a hundred yards de bullet is drawn right smack against his steel helmet. Yes, sah, an' he's done invented another one with a return attachment. Whenever dat bullet don't hit nothin' it comes right straight back to de American lines."

"Dat's what I call inventin'," exclaimed the other. "But, say, how about dem comin' back bullets? What do dey do to keep 'em from hittin' ouah men?"

"Well, mah frieu' didn't tell me about it, but ef Mr. Edison made 'em you can bet youah life he's got 'em trained. You don't 'spose he'd let 'em kill any Americans, do you? No, sah. He's got 'em fixt so's dey jes' ease back down aroun' de gunner's feet an' say: 'Dey's all dead in dat trench, boss. Send me to a live place where I's got a chanct to do somethin'.'"

**Bathed While Building Burns.**

Mrs. Stella Totten, a comely young matron, was enjoying an afternoon "rub" in her apartment on the third floor of the Addicks building, the Woolworth tower of a nearby suburban town, when there came a noisy knocking at the door. "Who's there?" inquired Mrs. Totten, timidly, recalling that the door was unlocked. "It's me—Bill Stone," was the gruff answer. "Please don't come in, Mr. Stone—I'm in the tub. Who are you, and why are you here?" "I'm Bill Stone of Hook and Ladder 279; the house is on fire, and I've come to get you." "I thought the water was getting rather hot," said Mrs. Totten. In less than a minute Bill Stone emerged from a third-floor window, and amid the plaudits of the surging crowd, safely carried Mrs. Totten, wrapped only in a blanket, down the ladder and delivered her safely in a nearby hotel.—New York Times.

**Gives Credit to Solomon.**

"Solomon was the first human being, so far as we can find out, to know the language of animals," said Prof. S. B. Wolfensen, chairman of the department of Semitic languages and Hellenistic Greek, University of Wisconsin, lecturing on "Archaeological Exploration in Palestine and the Orient."

"The finding of a blast furnace near the city of Lackish, in Palestine," Professor Wolfensen continued, "shows that the metal industry is not so modern as most of us suppose.

"As to monopoly of trade, the first instance which we discover is when Solomon took occasion to use the temple of Gezer, in Palestine, for this purpose."

**Not Improbable.**

"Are you friendly with the police on your block?"

"Oh, we speak cordially enough," said the citizen of a "dry" town, "but I was carrying home a box of 'shoes' the other day and dropped it on the pavement. The package began to leak and ever since then I've had an idea that he regards me with suspicion."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

**His Tribe Is Increasing.**

Our daughter Belle, now Mrs. A. M. Frost, increased the population of Tacoma by one small baby girl on July 27. This makes our sixth grandchild. We always had trouble to count our children, and if the second generation keeps coming so fast we may have to put them in a corral and run them through the chute to find the number.—Condon (Ore.) Times.

# APRIL 1 LAST DAY FOR FEDERAL RETURNS

**Penalties for Income Dodgers Are Severe—Get Your Return in if You Are Liable.**

April 1, 1918, is the final day allowed under the federal income tax law for the filing of federal income tax returns. Persons who are required to file returns under the provisions of law and who fail to get their returns in on time are subject to severe penalties, as follows:

For making false or fraudulent return, not exceeding $2,000 or not exceeding one year's imprisonment, or both, in the discretion of the court, and, in addition, 100 per cent. of the tax evaded.

For failing to make return on time, not less than $20 nor more than $1,000, and, in addition, 50 per cent. of the amount of tax due.

If on account of illness or absence from home you are unable to render your return within the time prescribed by law you may obtain an extension of 30 days if a request therefor is filed with the collector of your district before the due date of the return. In this request you must state the reason why the return cannot be filed within the time prescribed by law.

Collectors of internal revenue are not authorized to grant extensions of more than 30 days, but the commissioner of internal revenue has authority to grant a reasonable extension beyond 30 days in meritorious cases. If you desire an extension of more than 30 days your request should be addressed to the commissioner and should contain a detailed statement covering the reasons which make it impossible for you to file your return on or before April 1.

The internal revenue men are now completing their tour of the country, during which they were in touch with the people of every city and town. If you failed to get in touch with the deputy which visited your section it is not too late to get advice. Consult your postmaster as to where the nearest deputy is now. Get your blank form, study the directions and the requirements as shown thereon and make your return without fail if your income was sufficient to come within the bounds named in the law.

It is pointed out by Commissioner Roper that it is important that the people comply with the federal laws as fully as they are complying with the drafts for men and the conservation of foods and fuel. "The war must be paid for," says Commissioner Roper. "Congress has as much right to conscript a just portion of income as it has to conscript our boys. The tax for 1917 is designed to reach moderate as well as large incomes, so that all persons who are in financial position to bear a portion of the heavy government expenses can be assessed in proportion to their ability to pay.

"The man who is barely making a living or barely supporting a family is not affected by the 1917 law. But the man who is able to bear a share of the burden has been reached by the new law, and he should accept his responsibility in the same patriotic spirit that our young men have shown in offering themselves for this great purpose of the country to make the world safe for people of all kinds to live in and to govern themselves."

This tax is one which recognizes women as on an equal basis with men. The unmarried woman or the married woman with a salary must make tax return just the same as any man. Only the woman supporting her mother or other members of her family may take out $2,000 exemption.

Under the law the head of the family is the one whose earning power contributes to the family's support.

Similarly a widow with small children to support can take out $2,000 exemption and $200 additional exemption for each of her children under eighteen. Thus it is intended that the law shall work no hardship to women having to struggle to get along. But each must file return if her income is $1,000.

A man whose wife dies and who is left with small children to support upon a moderate income may also take full exemption under the new tax law and also claim $200 exemption for each of his children under eighteen.

The widower under the law is a single man and must make tax return accordingly. Married men need not file returns unless they are earning $2,000 or more.

"This is as much a national obligation as the reporting for duty of a man drafted for service with the colors," says D. C. Roper, commissioner of internal revenue. "As it stands, it is much a matter of the man or woman's own conscience. It is for him or for her to determine just how far he is liable to the tax. He must figure his own income and if it reaches the figures named in the law must make faithful report upon it to the proper authority.

"This tax is distinctly a war measure and will be in effect during the war.

"This is a people's tax—it reaches right down into the pockets of the small wage earner; it makes him a partner in the job of winning the war."

**Orchid's Drinking Tube.**

One of South America's curiosities is an orchid which has a peculiar tube that it lets down into the water when it wants a drink. At other times it is kept curled up.

## IMPORTANT USE FOR CAMERA

**Arctic Region Can Be Mapped by Photographs Taken From Miles Above the Objective.**

The adventures of the camera men in this war are more thrilling than any romance. Braving the fire of batteries of anti-aircraft guns and hourly encountering the skillful air duelists, they must calmly choose their positions, risk their lives often for a single exposure, and carry back their pictures in record time. Successful photographs have been made at a height of more than three miles, says Boys' Life, the boy scouts' magazine, for February. From such an altitude the earth appears flat, all objects being lost in a dull cloud-like effect, but the cameras used are of the tele-photo type, which will pierce through this distance. Some are made with a pistol grip which enables the aviator to aim his camera quickly. Other aero cameras are built into the floor or side of the aircraft and pictures are taken by touching a button with the foot. An ingenious mechanical device has been [illegible] any desired rate per second, so that nothing will be overlooked.

Aero photography has many important uses apart from warfare. The camera has been carried by daring adventurers over unexplored regions. It has been estimated that an aero photographer could cover more territory in a day in the Arctic region than could be traversed in a month by dog sledges.

## POET MADE WAR HIS THEME

**Washington Audience Somewhat Surprised That Masefield Couldn't Spout His Own Verse.**

The visit of John Masefield, poet and sailor, to Washington recently attracted the attention of scores of people who have known him through his tales of the sea and other stories in verse form.

The auditorium was packed by the hundreds who came to see what a real, live poet looked like. The national capital, in 1918, may claim its full share of sophistication in matters political, but the visit of a poet is another thing.

Several years ago Alfred Noyes, fellow Englishman of Masefield, spoke there, and people were delighted to find him a simple, frank, good-natured fellow who had all the earmarks of a successful young business man.

So this time they wondered what Masefield would be like. Would he spout yards and yards of poetry from memory? He was scheduled to read his poems.

Masefield talked about the war.

He had been through it, and talked from personal experience. He said scarcely a word concerning his poems.

At the conclusion of his talk some one insisted that he give them several of his poems.

"I'll have to have a copy," he said, simply.

Finally, after much search through the audience, one lone copy of the book needed was found.

**Exhibit of Spider Webs.**

Notwithstanding the fact that a spider web is so fine and delicate that unless covered with dust or sparkling with dew it is almost invisible, the American Museum of Natural History is now displaying a series of these webs, 12 in number, so mounted on dark backgrounds as to be plainly visible. The spiral construction, widening gradually from the center outward, is easily traced. The webs are accompanied by colored plates of the spiders which spun them. Some spiders live in the web they spin; others spend only the nights there, hiding during the day in retreats often some distance away, with a single thread leading to the web. One of the larger spiders, Aranea trifolium, for instance, spins a thread from the center of its web to a tent made of leaves and silk. Sitting in this tent, the spider holds the thread in such a way that it knows when the web is shaken by its insect prey.—American Museum Journal.

**Her Work.**

Congresswoman Jeannette Rankin said in a Y. W. C. A. address:

"Charles Schwab married on $7 a week, and Chauncey Depew on $9. I have no sympathy with the girl who makes a devoted young man wait till he can support her as luxuriously as her old father does.

"My sympathy all goes out to the young man who said joyously, as soon as he was accepted:

"'Then, darling, we'll get married at once. Of course, at first, we shan't be able to keep a servant.'

"'Oh, Jack, hadn't we better wait, then?' she protested. 'What would the neighbors say if they saw me doing my own work?'

"Jack looked puzzled.

"'Why, sweetheart,' he said, 'whose work do you want to do?'"

**New Type of "Destroyer."**

The recent report that the United States is building a new type of flush-deck destroyer, having a very high speed and a minimum of hitting surface, has aroused much speculation among interested laymen as to the details of these boats, which, it has been predicted, will revolutionize sea warfare. It is the belief that the new craft bears a resemblance to a sea fighter designed by a young naval officer and described as being of 20,000 tons, with a flat protective deck and two towers, one forward and one aft. This vessel carries no guns, but has eight or ten torpedo tubes on each side.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

## OFFICIAL HOUSEHOLDER'S FLOUR REPORT

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Number in household.....adults, .....children under 12.

Wheat flour on hand (all flour containing any wheat).....lbs.

Thirty days' requirements (when used with substitutes according to 50-50 regulation).....lbs.

I agree to hold my excess subject to the order of the United States Food Administration.

Name.....

Postoffice.....

Street and No. or R. F. D.....

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